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SUBJECT: ARRIVAL OF PRC LIAISON OFFICE CHIEF, HUANG CHEN

1. HUANG CHEN, PRC LIAISON OFFICE CHIEF, ARRIVED WASHINGTON AS SCHEDULED TUESDAY MORNING MAY 29. HE WAS GREETED AT THE AIRPORT BY ACTING CHIEF OF PROTOCOL SMOAK, ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR EA AND MRS. HUMMEL, GENERAL SKOWCROFT OF WHITE HOUSE, ACTING DIRECTOR OF PRCM SULLIVAN AND OTHERS.

2. FOR SECURITY REASONS, CHINESE PARTY WALKED FROM PLANE TO BACK DOOR OF AIRPORT LOUNGE, AND OFFICIAL GREETING TOOK PLACE IN LOUNGE. PARTY REMAINED IN LOUNGE FOR ABOUT 20 MINUTES. HUANG STEPPED OUT OF LOUNGE AT ONE POINT TO READ PREPARED STATEMENT (SEE BELOW) FOR PRESS, AND WAVED TO APPROXIMATELY 200 " OVERSEAS CHINESE" WHO WERE WAITING WITH WELCOMING BANNERS HAILING US- PRC FRIENDSHIP.

3. PRCLO CHOSE A REPRESENTATIVE DELEGATION OF CHINESE-AMERICANS TO COME INTO SEPARATE SECTION OF LOUNGE TO BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PERSONALLY GREETED BY AMBASSADOR HUANG. CHINESE HAD
PRESSED US SIDE TO SELECT CHINESE- AMERICANS FOR THIS
GREETING; WE DECLINED SAYING WE HAD NO BASIS FOR CHOICE.
THEY ALSO OBVIOUSLY DID NOT WANT TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR
EXCLUDING SOME. IN END THEY MADE DECISION TO BRING IN
ABOUT TEN.

4. HUANG AND HIS PARTY WENT TO THEIR HOTEL IN CARS
SUPPLIED BY PRCLO; BAGGAGE WAS HANDLED BY STATE DEPARTMENT
AND SECRET SERVICE.

5. AT 4 PM, HUANG CALLED ON AMBASSADOR HUMMEL. HE MET
AMBASSADOR GODLEY BRIEFLY WHO EXPLAINED THAT SINCE HIS
APPOINTMENT AS ASSISTANT SECRETARY HAD NOT YET BEEN
CONFIRMED BY THE SENATE, HE COULD NOT RECEIVE HUANG
OFFICIALLY. HUANG WAS ACCOMPANIED BY CHI CH' AO- CHU, HSIEH
CHI- MEI, AND HSU HSIN- HSI. US SIDE INCLUDED SULLIVAN,
ROMBERG AND FREEMAN. ONLY POINT OF SUBSTANCE WAS HUANG' S
STATEMENT THAT TIMING OF HIS DEPARTURE FOR WASHINGTON HAD
BEEN DECIDED AT LAST MINUTE.

6. TUESDAY AFTERNOON HUANG, ACCOMPANIED BY HAN HSU AND
CHI CH' AO- CHU, PAID COURTESY CALL ON DR. KISSINGER. THAT
EVENING HE WAS GUEST OF HONOR AT A DINNER GIVEN BY
AMBASSADOR HUMMEL ON 8 TH FLOOR OF THE DEPARTMENT.

7. ON WEDNESDAY MORNING HUANG WAS RECEIVED BY THE
PRESIDENT FOR ABOUT A HALF HOUR BEFORE THE PRESIDENT' S
DEPARTURE FOR ICELAND.

8. LATER IN THE DAY HUANG PAID CALLS ON ACTING CHIEF OF
PROTOCOL AND UNDER SECRETARY PORTER, AND WAS GUEST AT
LUNCH ON 8 TH FLOOR OF DEPARTMENT GIVEN BY AMBASSADOR SMOAK.
HUANG' S WIFE DID NOT ATTEND. PRCLO OFFICER EXPLAINED TO
DEPARTMENT OFFICER THAT CHU LIN' S HEALTH IS NOT GOOD AND
SHE WAS TIRED BY JOURNEY.

9. PRC TRANSLATION OF HUANG' S ARRIVAL STATEMENT AS FOLLOWS:

IT IS A PLEASURE FOR ME TO COME TO WASHINGTON,
CAPITAL OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. I WISH TO TAKE
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THIS OPPORTUNITY TO CONVEY TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE THE
CORDIAL GREETINGS OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF
THE PACIFIC OCEAN.

THE CHINESE AND AMERICAN PEOPLES HAVE ALWAYS BEEN
FRIENDLY TO EACH OTHER. AFTER A DETOUR, THE CONTACTS
BETWEEN OUR TWO PEOPLES HAVE NOW RESUMED. I BELIEVE THAT

SO LONG AS THE CHINESE AND THE US SIDES ACT ON THE
PRINCIPLES DEFINED IN THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE OF FEBRUARY
1972, THE OBJECTIVE OF NORMALIZING THE RELATIONS BETWEEN
CHINA AND THE UNITED STATES CAN CERTAINLY BE ATTAINED. I
LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING IN THIS DIRECTION TOGETHER WITH
AMERICAN FRIENDS OF ALL CIRCLES.

IN CONCLUSION, I WISH TO THANK ALL OUR FRIENDS FOR
COMING TO MEET US. RUSH

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